THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, the 25th November 1948.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, Mr. President (THE HON. SRI R. B. RAMAKRISHNA RAJU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Wholesale dealers in cloth in Bellary district.

* 131-A *Q.*—SRI B. BHIMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state the names of wholesale dealers in cloths selected for the district of Bellary in accordance with the recent rules and regulations together with the names of towns or taluks to which each of them has been assigned?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" The selection of the following wholesale dealers in cloth for the Bellary district has been approved by the Government :—

For cloth of all mills other than B. & C. Mills.

Bellary taluk—

1 Miachand Motilal.

2 Ginka Venkataswami.

Rayadrug taluk—

Sri G. Venkataramanappa & Brothers.

Alur taluk—

H. Sanjeeva Reddi.

Adoni taluk—

G. K. Ratchotappa & Brothers.

Hadagalli taluk—

Hastimal Parsoji.

Kudligi taluk—

Ukkada Siddaramappa of Hospet for Kottur Town.

Exclusively for cloth of B. & C. Mills.

1 K. M. Yusuf and Sons, Bellary.

2 R. Sivappa Sanjeevarayudu, Adoni.

3 G. R. Hanumantha Rao & Sons, Adoni.

Exclusively for cloth of Mettur Industries.

1 Ganesmal Pratapmal, Bellary.

2 P. Subbaramayya, Adoni.

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3 T. G. Lakshmiah Setty, Adoni.

4 Manaji Premchand, Adoni.

5 Kalyanji Vittaldoss, Adoni.

6 J. Gadilingappa Jambanna, Bellary.

" Proposals from the Collector for the selection of five more wholesale dealers for mill cloth other than B. & C. cloth one for Siruguppa taluk, one more for Adoni taluk, two for Hospet taluk and one for Harpanahalli taluk are awaited."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know what these rules and regulations are under which these dealers have been given licence? "

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" Certain instructions were issued to the Collectors of the districts under which dealers whose record has been good may be given first priority and then second priority, third priority and fourth. Then Members of the Legislature may be consulted in the matter of selection, and after selection, as per instruction of Government certain names are sent up which are examined by the Provincial Textile Commissioner, and they come for approval to Government."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" So those are only instructions and not rules."

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" Yes, Sir."

Auditing the accounts of the Hindu Religious Endowments Board.

* 132 *Q.*—SRI S. B. ADITYAN : Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any change has been made in the system of auditing the accounts of the Hindu Religious Endowments Board;

(*b*) if so, what the changes are; and

(*c*) the reasons for the change?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Premier) :—" (*a*) No.

" (*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise."

Amount of bonus granted by the Central Government.

* 133 *Q.*—SRI K. MANATHUNAINATHA DESIGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of bonus granted by the Central Government;

(*b*) the conditions mentioned in the Government of India, Ministry of Food, Press Communiqué, dated 8th December 1947, regarding the utilization of the bonus amount granted by them, in the present Khariff year;